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# **CICP Communicates**

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# **CICP Provider Eligibility Trainings**

As the Department nears the new fiscal year, it's time again for the CICP Eligibility Trainings. The informational training is meant to assist the providers and their staff who work with the CICP in understanding the eligibility determination process, the client application, changes to the CICP, and provides a question and answer session. Please remember space may be limited and refreshments may not be available, so plan accordingly. Each session is approximately three hours, depending on the nature and number of questions. The trainings will occur on the following dates and locations:

May 29, 2008- Fort Collins- Poudre Valley Hospital 9:30 – 12:30 pm

May 30, 2008 - Limon - Plains Medical Center Noon - 3:00 pm

June 2, 2008 - Colorado Springs - Penrose St. Francis Hospital 9:30 - 12:30 pm

June 3, 2008-Pueblo-Parkview Medical Center 9 am – Noon

June 4, 2008 Alamosa-Valley Wide Health System 9am – Noon

June 5, 2008 Grand Junction – St. Mary's Hospital 9 am – Noon

**RSVP BY MAY 9th**, by email to cicpcorrespondence@state.co.us or by phone at 303-866-2580 to secure a seat.

THANK YOU to the providers for your willingness to host a training session. We appreciate your generosity and everything you do to make the CICP a successful program.

#### **New CICP Provider Email Address**

The CICP has designated a new email address for all provider eligibility inquires. Providers should direct all email correspondence to cicpcorrespondence@state.co.us and the appropriate staff member will respond to your concerns directly. Providers may continue to contact Shirley Jones directly for billing and audit questions. Your patience is appreciated during this transition.

#### **CICP Stakeholder Forum**

The third CICP Stakeholder Forum meeting will be held on **June 6th**, **2008 from 2:00 – 5:00 pm** at 225 East 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the 1st floor conference room. A conference line will be available for those who cannot attend the meeting in person and for other CICP providers who would like to listen in and provide feedback.

The Department will provide an update on two issues from the previous Stakeholder Forum meeting and will also introduce several new topics for discussion. Stakeholders and providers will each be given time to discuss any other additional items. A portion of the meeting will be devoted specifically to those teleconferencing in so that the providers on the phone may have an equal opportunity to participate in the meeting. An agenda and notes from the previous meeting are posted on the Department's website. If you would like to attend the meeting by teleconference, please email cicpcorrespondence@state.co.us or call the provider line at (303) 866-2580 to obtain the teleconference information.

## **CPPC Grant Program and Primary Care Fund Updates**

The application schedule for the Comprehensive Primary and Preventive Care (CPPC) Grant Program and the Primary Care Fund for State fiscal year 2008-09 are currently being established. The timeframe for the CPPC Grant Program is as follows:

The CPPC Grant Program

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Application Released	March 6, 2008			
Application Due Date	April 7, 2008			
Award Notification	May 1, 2008			
Contract Start Date	July 1, 2008			

The tentative timeframe for the Primary Care Fund is as follows:

The Primary Care Fund

Stakeholders Meeting	February 28, 2008
Application Release	April 30, 2008
Application Due Date	June 2, 2008
Award Notification	June 30, 2008

Health care providers interested in receiving funding from either of these programs are encouraged to visit the programs' websites. The application form for the previous year along with other pertinent documentation and notifications are available on the website. Providers are encouraged to review the previous application forms in order to obtain an understanding of the program, qualification criteria for providers, and the application process.

Information on the CPPC Grant Program can be obtained at

http://www.chcpf.state.co.us/HCPF/cppc/cppcindex.asp. The website for the Primary Care Fund can be obtained at http://www.chcpf.state.co.us/HCPF/primary\_care\_fund.asp. Please contact Carol Rieder, Safety Net Program Grant Coordinator, at (303) 866-4710 or Carol.Rieder@state.co.us if you have any questions on either of these programs.

#### **CICP Provider Audit**

The CICP Provider compliance audits are currently being reviewed and the Department is bringing all provider files up to date. If you have any questions regarding the audit process or deadlines for the completion of audits please contact Shirley Jones at (303) 866-5506 or Shirley.Jones@state.co.us.

## **New Employee Welcome**

Nancy Dolson joined the section in February as the Safety Net Financing Specialist. Her background includes experience with budgeting and expenditure projections, information systems, and data analysis. Nancy has nearly five years of Medicaid experience at the Department, working as a behavioral health contract specialist and most recently as a statistical analyst. As the Safety Net Financing Specialist, Nancy works on various rate setting methodologies and financing strategies to maximize reimbursement to providers.

# **Colorado Cares Prescription Program**

The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing has teamed with Rx Outreach – a mail order patient assistance program – to launch the Colorado Cares Rx Program. This program provides an easy way for individuals or families to order generic prescription medicines at a discount and conveniently receive the medicines at their home.

Colorado residents may be of any age and qualify for the program based on family size and income. For example, a single adult can earn up to \$31,200 while a family of four qualifies with an income of up to \$63,600. Individuals may have other health insurance coverage and no financial documentation is required. More than 125 different medications in over 45 different therapeutic categories are available at a cost of \$20, \$30, or \$40 per 90-day prescription, depending on the medicine. There are no enrollment fees or shipping costs.

Colorado Cares Rx could be a beneficial program for Coloradans not eligible to receive medicines at lower prices or at a convenient location through other health care programs. For more information and to download an application, please visit www.coloradocaresrx.com.

#### **New FPL Amounts**

The annual update to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services poverty guidelines was published in the Federal Register. The new income limits are effective beginning April 1, 2008. Please use this newsletter as a supplement until the FY 2008-09 CICP Manual is published in June 2008. If you need a copy of the FY 2007-08 CICP Manual or a copy of the new income limits, please visit the Departments website at www.chcpf.state.co.us and follow the link to the CICP webpage. Please see the reverse side of this newsletter for the new income limits. You can also locate the new income limits on the CICP webpage, under the client column titled "Income Limits."

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### COLORADO INDIGENT CARE PROGRAM ABILITY-TO-PAY SCALE

### Effective April 1, 2008 - March 31, 2009 Income Ranges for Each Ability-to-Pay Rate

Family Size	Z	N	A	В	C	D
1	\$0 - \$4,160	\$0 - \$4,160	\$4,161 - \$6,448	\$6,449 - \$8,424	\$8,425 - \$10,400	\$10,401 - \$12,168
2	\$0 - \$5,600	\$0 - \$5,600	\$5,601 - \$8,680	\$8,681 - \$11,340	\$11,341 - \$14,000	\$14,001 - \$16,380
3	\$0 - \$7,040	\$0 - \$7,040	\$7,041 - \$10,912	\$10,913 - \$14,256	\$14,257 - \$17,600	\$17,601 - \$20,592
4	\$0 - \$8,480	\$0 - \$8,480	\$8,481 - \$13,144	\$13,145 - \$17,172	\$17,173 - \$21,200	\$21,201 - \$24,804
5	\$0 - \$9,920	\$0 - \$9,920	\$9,921 - \$15,376	\$15,377 - \$20,088	\$20,089 - \$24,800	\$24,801 - \$29,016
6	\$0 - \$11,360	\$0 - \$11,360	\$11,361 - \$17,608	\$17,609 - \$23,004	\$23,005 - \$28,400	\$28,401 - \$33,228
7	\$0 - \$12,800	\$0 - \$12,800	\$12,801 - \$19,840	\$19,841 - \$25,920	\$25,921 - \$32,000	\$32,001 - \$37,440
8	\$0 - \$14,240	\$0 - \$14,240	\$14,241 - \$22,072	\$22,073 - \$28,836	\$28,837 - \$35,600	\$35,601 - \$41,652
Poverty Level*	40% & Homeless	40%	62%	81%	100%	117%

Family Size	E	F	G	Н	I
1	\$12,169 - \$13,832	\$13,833 - \$16,536	\$16,537 - \$19,240	\$19,241 - \$20,800	\$20,801 - \$26,000
2	\$16,381 - \$18,620	\$18,621 - \$22,260	\$22,261 - \$25,900	\$25,901 - \$28,000	\$28,001 - \$35,000
3	\$20,593 - \$23,408	\$23,409 - \$27,984	\$27,985 - \$32,560	\$32,561 - \$35,200	\$35,201 - \$44,000
4	\$24,805 - \$28,196	\$28,197 - \$33,708	\$33,709 - \$39,220	\$39,221 - \$42,400	\$42,401 - \$53,000
5	\$29,017 - \$32,984	\$32,985 - \$39,432	\$39,433 - \$45,880	\$45,881 - \$49,600	\$49,601 - \$62,000
6	\$33,229 - \$37,772	\$37,773 - \$45,156	\$45,157 - \$52,540	\$52,541 - \$56,800	\$56,801 - \$71,000
7	\$37,441 - \$42,560	\$42,561 - \$50,880	\$50,881 - \$59,200	\$59,201 - \$64,000	\$64,001 - \$80,000
8	\$41,653 - \$47,348	\$47,349 - \$56,604	\$56,605 - \$65,860	\$65,861 - \$71,200	\$71,201 - \$89,000
Poverty Level*	133%	159%	185%	200%	250%

<sup>\*</sup>Percent of federal poverty level which corresponds to the upper limit of income in each rating level.

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